

## **CITY OF BURBANK**

### **TREE TRIMMER**

#### **DEFINITION**

Under direct supervision, to trim, prune, plant, and perform semi-skilled tree maintenance; remove trees on municipal properties; climb trees and operate aerial devices and other tree maintenance equipment for the purpose of tree and root pruning; and perform related work as required.

#### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

Trims, prunes, and maintains trees on municipal properties, working from the ground, from ladders, in aerial devices, and by climbing trees with the aid of ropes and climbing saddles; uses small and large power equipment and hand tools to cut and trim trees; plants, removes, irrigates, cultivates, applies pesticides, and fertilizes trees and shrubs; cuts and removes concrete; makes immediate minor repairs to damaged irrigation systems; may be required to drive a light or heavy-duty truck and/or operate a crane truck; operates stump remover, root cutters, brush chippers, and skip loader and attachments; ensures safety of property and persons by placing warning devices and other safety apparatus at job sites; may be required to perform additional functions including, but not limited to, landscape maintenance of parks and other municipal properties; drives on City business.

#### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

##### **Employment Standards:**

- Knowledge of - the characteristics of shade and ornamental trees used in the urban forest; the methods and equipment used in planting, pruning, trimming, and removing trees and shrubs.
- Skill in - using power saws, shears, axes, pruning tools, ladders, aerial devices, and other standard tree trimming tools and equipment.
- Ability to - observe and ensure safe practices and procedures; climb trees using appropriate equipment; operate an aerial device; perform heavy manual labor; follow written and oral directions; safely drive a light or heavy-duty truck; work holidays, weekends, after hours, and outdoors in a variety of weather conditions while exposed to the elements; communicate effectively, both orally and in writing; establish and maintain effective working relationships with supervisors, fellow employees, and the public.

**Education/Training:** One year of recent paid full-time experience in general tree maintenance, or related work.

**Special Conditions & Requirements:** Employees in this classification, who are required by applicable laws and regulations to have respiratory protection, shall comply with the American National Standards Institute's requirements on Practices for Respiratory Protection; possess and maintain physical condition required to perform essential functions of the classification which include the physical ability to: lift, pull, lower, and carry considerable amounts of weight (for weight in excess of 50 pounds, tools or other appropriate assistance are recommended to perform the function); bend in all directions; climb ladders; stoop; kneel; reach; twist; squeeze with arms and hands; stand for extended periods of time.

**License & Certificates:** A valid California Class "C" driver's license or equivalent and certification as a Certified Tree Worker by the International Society of Arboriculture Western Chapter are required at time of appointment. A valid California Class "A" driver's license or equivalent within one year of appointment. A crane certification may be required based on job assignment. All required licenses and certificates must be maintained throughout employment in this classification.

#### **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

None.